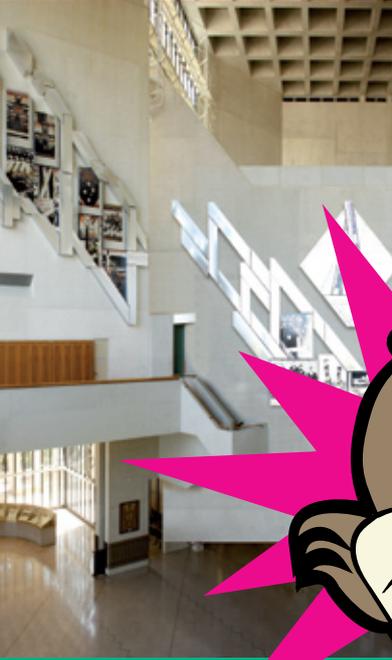




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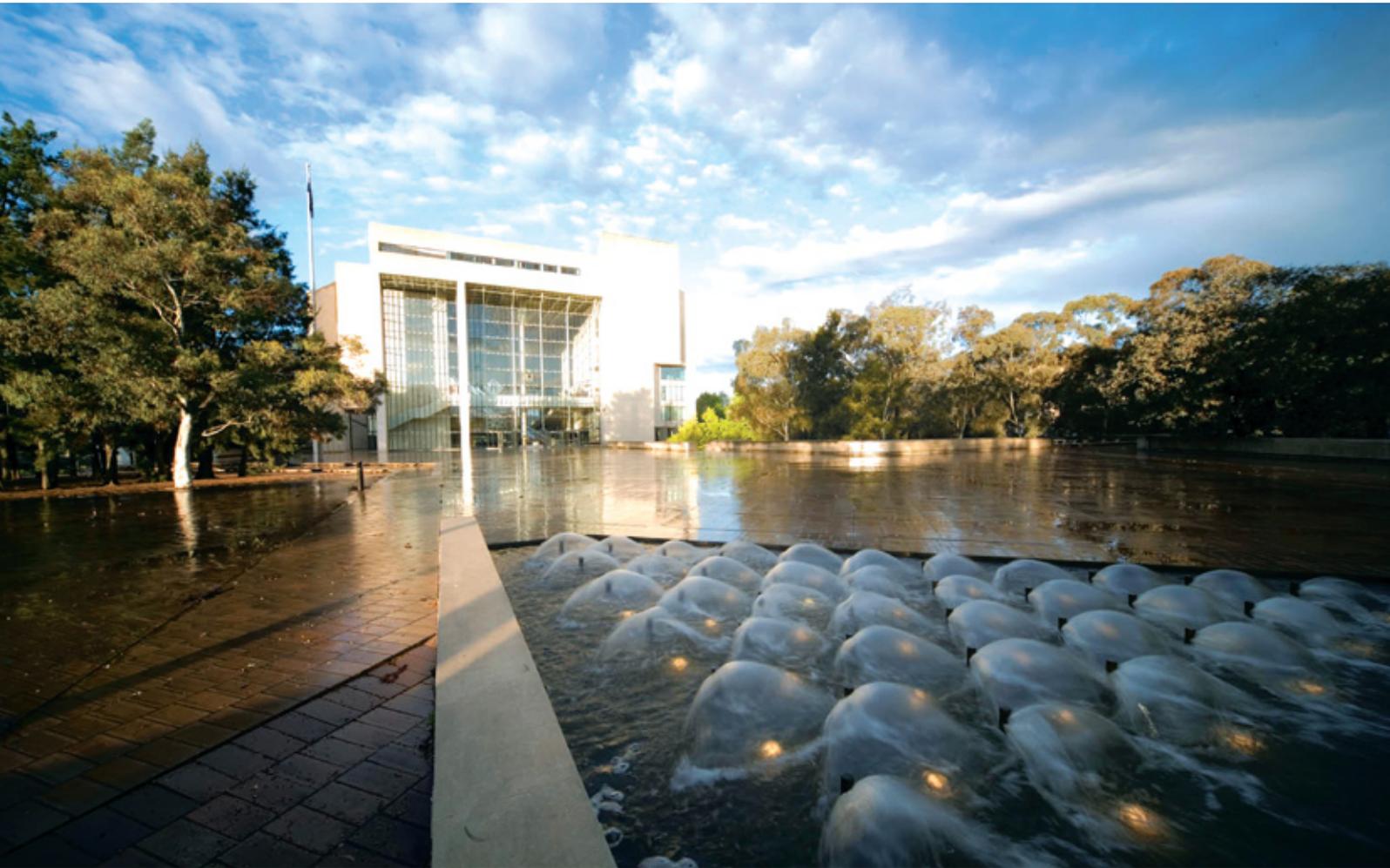


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Introduction

Hi there! My name is Harry and I'm the High Court of Australia Emu, and I've made lots of activities to help you learn about the Court.

The High Court of Australia is the highest court in the Australian judicial system. Its role is:

- to interpret and apply the law of Australia
- to decide cases of special significance to governments in Australia, and
- to hear appeals from federal, state and territory courts, after the High Court has permitted the appeal to be argued before it.



Hi, I'm Charlie the High Court of Australia Kangaroo, and I'm here to help Harry with his activities, and to show you around the highest court in Australia.

The activities in the pages that follow will help you to learn more about Australia's judicial system and the High Court.

You'll probably find that the activities get a bit more difficult as you proceed.

So grab a pen and let's get hopping!

Join the Dots



Hey there! Someone has erased the lines off this page and I can't quite make out the picture that they have left behind.

Could you help me by tracing the dots, following the numbers starting at 1 and ending at 74?

I wonder what the picture could be of?

73• 72• 71• 70• 69• 68• 67• 66• 65• 64• 63•

74• 62•

9• 10• 23• 24• 25• 26• 41• 42• 43• 44• 45• 61• 60• 59•

8• 11• 22• 27• 40• 46• 58•

6• 7• 12• 21• 28• 39• 47• 57•

5• 13• 20• 29• 38• 48•

4• 14• 19• 30• 37• 49•

3• 15• 18• 31• 36• 50•

2• 32• 35•

1• 16• 17• 33• 34• 51• 52• 53• 54•

SIT the COURT

We are setting up a training session for new Court Guides in Court 1 of the High Court of Australia in Canberra.

Can you help us complete the name plates to show where people sit in Court 1?



Judges' Retiring Room

These are the names for the nameplates

Chief Justice	6 Judges	Associates
Barristers	Instructing Solicitors	Public

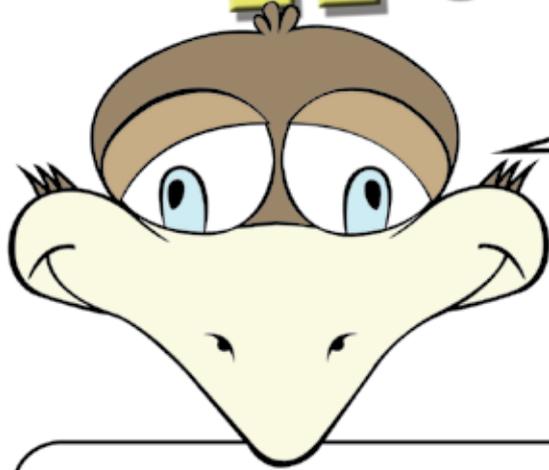
Spot the Difference

Oh no! Harry and Charlie have been playing in Court 2 and have messed everything up!

See if you can spot the 9 differences between the photos so that we can fix it before court sits!



WHO DOES WHAT

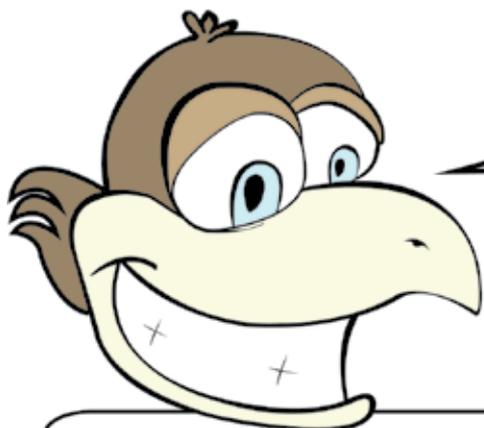


There are many people working at the High Court of Australia. They all have different jobs that are essential to making the Court work.

Can you help me figure out who does what by connecting the people to their jobs?

High Court Judge	A qualified lawyer who provides legal advice to clients, drafts legal documents, represents clients in lower courts and instructs a barrister when necessary, obtains legal opinions or pursues matters in higher courts like a state Supreme Court or the High Court
Barrister	A judicial officer of the High Court of Australia appointed by the Governor General on the recommendation of the Federal Executive Council
Solicitor	A party defending an appeal to a higher court
Full Court of the High Court	Person who calls the public gallery of the High Court to order and announces the start of each sitting of the Court
Appellant	Person who does administrative duties and takes notes during a High Court hearing
Intervenor	A party taking an appeal to a higher court
Respondent	Attorney-General of the Commonwealth or a state or territory who is permitted to intervene in proceedings before the High Court that relates to a constitutional law matter
Court Guide	A qualified lawyer who specialises in arguing cases in court and who is 'retained' by a solicitor on behalf of the solicitor's client
Court Crier	An employee of the High Court who takes members of the public, including school groups, on tours of the Court building
Court Clerk	Any bench comprising two or more Justices of the High Court

PICK A NUMBER



Hi there! Can you help Charlie to learn more about the High Court of Australia?

Pick the right number to fill the blank space where they fit.

The High Court of Australia consists of the Chief Justice and _____ other Judges.

Sir Samuel Griffith was the _____ Chief Justice of Australia.

The High Court building in Canberra was opened by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on _____ May 1980.

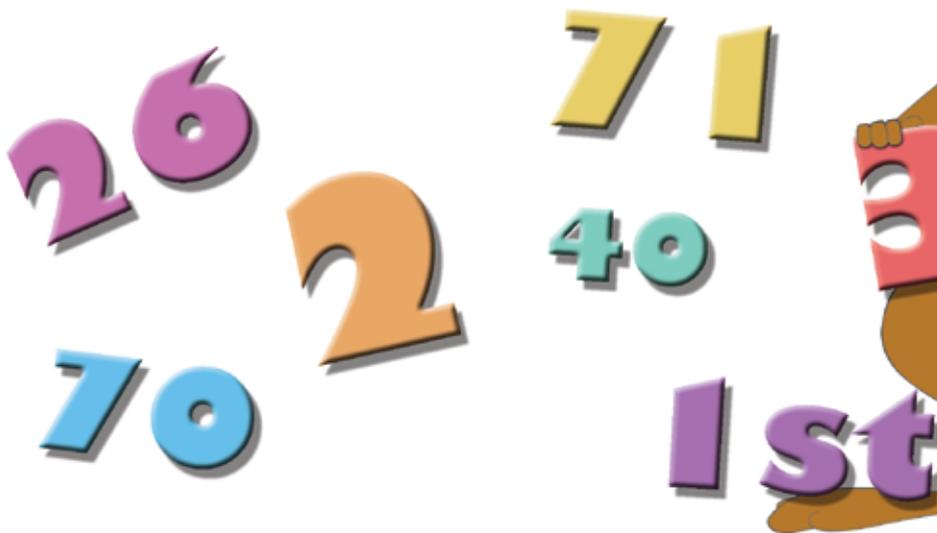
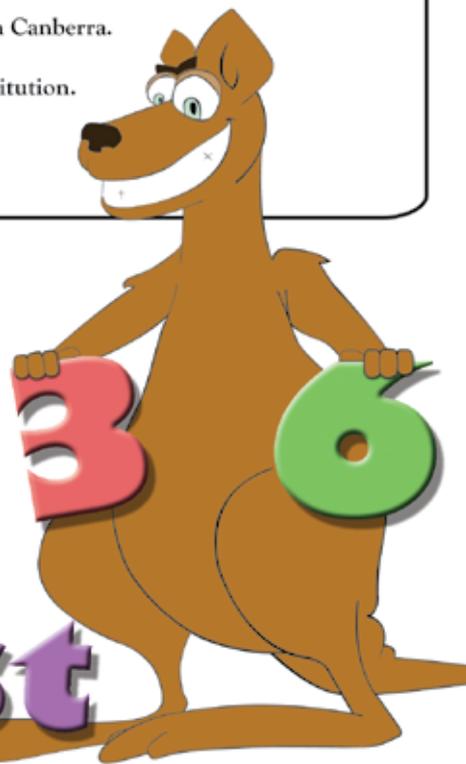
The High Court building in Canberra is _____ metres tall and is made mainly of concrete and glass.

There are _____ large murals by Jan Senbergs in the Public Hall of the High Court in Canberra.

There are _____ courtrooms in the High Court of Australia building in Canberra.

The High Court is established by section _____ of Australia's Constitution.

High Court Judges may hold office until they are _____ years old.

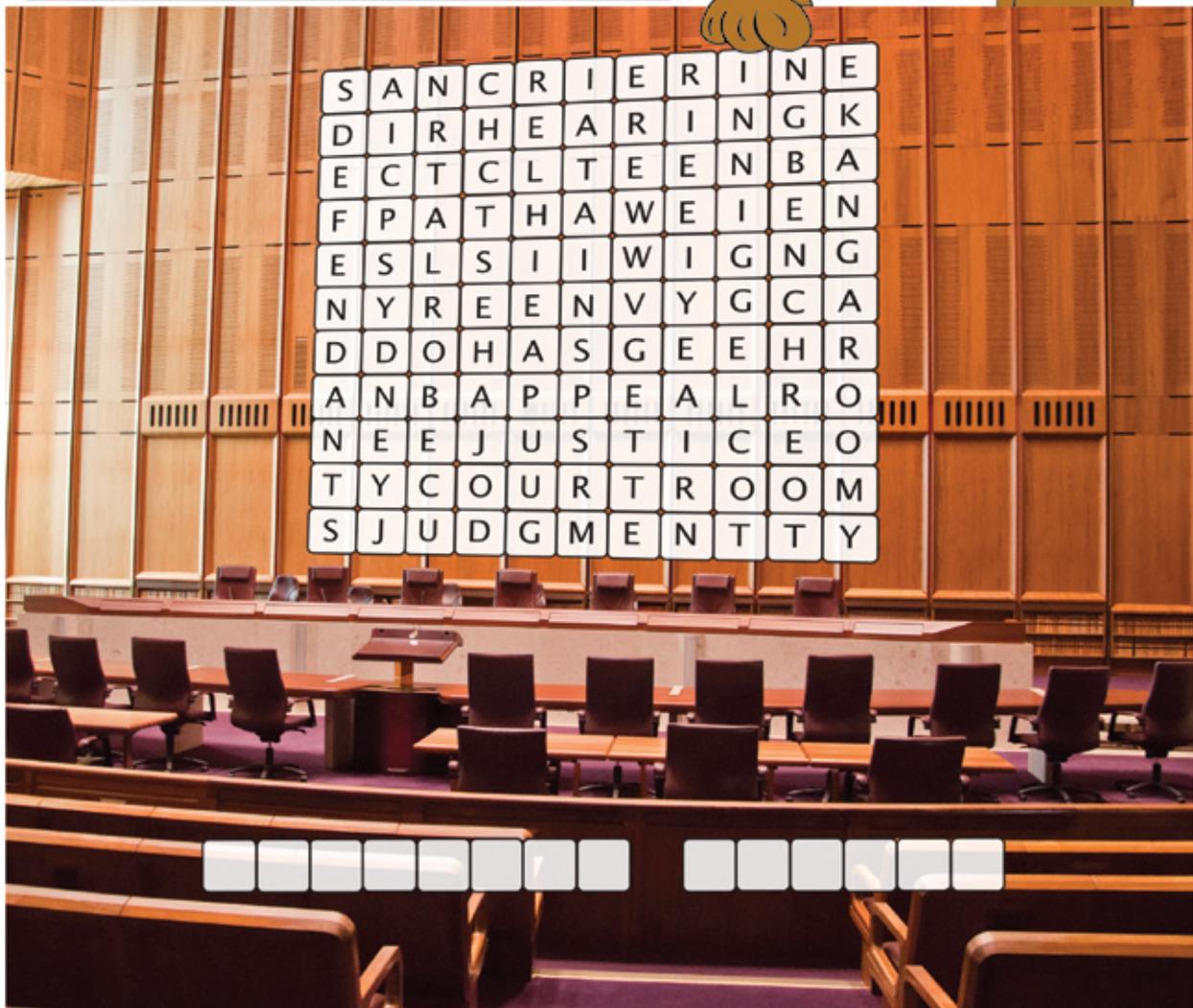


WORDSEARCH

Can you find 17 words relevant to Australia's legal system in this jumble of letters above the photo of the bench in Court 1 of the High Court building in Canberra?

Then using the unused letters, can you spell out the missing word in the Public Gallery?

(Hint: It's the year when the High Court of Australia building opened in Canberra.)



HIGH COURT QUIZ

1. Australia's Constitution establishes the High Court of Australia.
True False
2. What types of cases are heard mainly in Court 1?
Appeals
Applications for special leave to appeal
Constitutional law cases
3. Judges of the High Court of Australia are appointed for life.
True False
4. When was the High Court of Australia building in Canberra opened?
1901 1903
1927 1980
5. During its history 10 women have been appointed Judges of the High Court of Australia.
True False
6. How many courtrooms are there in the High Court of Australia building in Canberra?
5 4
3 6
7. Appeals from the Supreme Court of Nauru can be brought to the High Court of Australia.
True False
8. How many Judges are there in the High Court of Australia in 2011?
2 5
7 10
9. Appeals can be taken to the Privy Council in the United Kingdom from decisions of the High Court of Australia.
True False
10. What types of cases are heard mainly in Court 2?
Appeals
Applications for special leave to appeal
Constitutional law cases
11. There are currently 3 Chief Justices sitting in the High Court of Australia.
True False
12. Who was the first woman to be appointed a High Court Judge?
Justice Virginia Bell
Justice Susan Kiefel
Justice Mary Gaudron
Justice Susan Crennan AC
13. Judges wear wigs when hearing cases in Canberra?
True False
14. When did the High Court of Australia first sit, and where?
6 October 1903, Banco Court of the Supreme Court, Melbourne
10 October 1901, Banco Court of the Supreme Court, Sydney
5 May 1927, High Court of Australia building, Canberra

Hi there! I am having trouble filling in this quiz on various facts from the High Court.

Do you know the answers?

Why not test your knowledge and help by circling the answers on these multiple choice questions?



CROSSWORD



Across:

3. A common name for matters before the High Court of Australia (5)
5. A lawyer who presents oral argument in the High Court (9)
6. A complaint to a higher court about something done by or in a lower court (6)
7. A special sitting of the High Court of Australia in Court 1 in Canberra (10)
14. Strengthened by the separation of powers and tenure until 70 (8, 12)
15. The judges of the High Court of Australia (5)
17. A mock court competition to strengthen skills in oral argument (4)
19. Each Australian state has a _____ court (7)
21. A wrong done to another person which is actionable (4)
23. Delivered when wrongs are righted by a decision of the High Court (7)
24. Not seen on each sitting High Court judge in court since August 1988 (3)
25. One who appeals (9)
26. Offices in the High Court building where judges and staff work when not in court (8)

Down

1. City planning term for area within which the High Court is located (13, 4)
2. A ruling binding on a lower court (9)
4. Person employed to advise on legal matters (9)
8. Branch of the High Court responsible for the secure custody and safekeeping of Court records, collecting and accounting for fees received by the Court, and all aspects of proceedings and appeals (8)
9. The seat of the High Court of Australia is in this city (8)
10. Judges' detailed written explanation of their reasoning in a decision in a case (8)
11. One division of judicial opinion on a matter in a case; can be narrow (8)
12. The presentation and consideration of oral arguments in court (7)
13. Description for Australia's political system (9)
16. Birth certificate of our nation (12)
18. A Judge's assistant in Court and in chambers (9)
20. Collections of High Court records (8)
22. Welcome to watch proceedings in the High Court (6)



Hey! Can you help me figure out this crossword using the clues on the left? It is too hard for me to do on my own!



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